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FEDERAL INMATE SENTENCED FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Joseph H. Hogsett, United States Attorney, announced today that Adam G. Orr, 37, a native of Oklahoma and an inmate of the Terre Haute Federal Correctional Complex, was sentenced to 240 months in prison today by U.S. District Judge William T. Lawrence. Orr pled guilty to aggravated assault with intent to commit murder. This statutory maximum sentence will be served consecutive to his existing sentence for multiple federal firearms violation. Hogsett stated that "this is a person with 33 prior convictions and this sentence is clearly appropriate." This case was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Federal Bureau of Prisons.

At approximately 8:15 a.m., on March 3, 2010, a prison official overheard yelling and cursing. She proceeded to investigate. As the official looked toward the laundry room, she saw Orr punching inmate Larry C. Nein. She called for assistance and ordered Orr to stop fighting. When she got closer, she noticed that Orr had a homemade weapon in his hand and was using it to repeatedly stab inmate Larry C. Nein. Orr stopped stabbing Nein when several other officers arrived to the scene, and was restrained without further incident. Nein was taken to the medical station and then to a Terre Haute hospital.

Immediately after the altercation, a senior prison official asked Orr about the severity of the stabbing. Orr replied, "If that bitch hadn't ran, I would have killed him in the laundry room." Orr told the senior prison official that he did it because Nein called him a snitch and a liar. During an interview by the FBI, Orr was advised of his rights and executed a written waiver consenting to the interview. Orr admitted to taking Nein to the B1 laundry unit to confront Nein about calling him "a rat" and attempting to make him "check in." Orr was specifically asked if it was his intention to end Nein's life when he assaulted him and Orr replied, "yes." Orr added that if Nein had not been able to escape from the laundry room to the common area that he would have been successful in killing Nein and taking his dead body to the staff. Orr advised that all he has in prison is his name and he would do it again. Orr was asked how many times he stabbed Nein and he replied, "Apparently not enough."

Nein suffered over 20 lacerations and stab wounds, a collapsed lung, rib and face fractures, and a possible kidney laceration.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney James M. Warden, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge McKinney also imposed 3 years supervised release following Orr's release from prison.

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